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In re application of

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FUEL GASIFICATION SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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72. (New) A fuel gasification system comprising:

a gasification chamber for gasifying a fuel, said chamber having a fluidized bed therein in which a fluidizing medium is fluidized;

a char combustion chamber for combusting char generated by gasification in said gasification chamber, said chamber having a fluidized bed therein in which a fluidizing medium is fluidized; and

said gasification chamber and said char combustion chamber being partitioned with a partition wall, said wall having an opening in a lower portion through which said fluidizing medium flows from said char combustion chamber to said gasification chamber, and said wall having another opening in a lower portion thereof through which said fluidizing medium flows from said gasification chamber to said char combustion chamber.